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RIOT ON KAUAI

Lihue Plantation Chinamen Attack Lunas.

KNIVES AND HATCHETS USED

Trouble Suddenly Stopped by Police.

Mongolians Promise to Return to Work—Want to be Paid For Extra Hours.

Blood was spilled at Lihue plantation on the morning of Friday, April 9th, when a gang of Chinese laborers attacked several of the lunas with hatchets and sharp knives, with a result of quite a number of men wounded and one Chinaman in such a condition that he is either dead now or will be soon. From letters and people who were on the Garden Isle at the time of the trouble, the following story has been gathered:

It seems that Lihue plantation has had considerable trouble of late with a gang of Chinamen who arrived just recently from China and who are supposed to have been in Hong Kong nothing but robbers and cut-throats. On Thursday morning, April 8th, about 18 of the number gathered about the plantation office and complained of being sick. Upon diagnosing the cases it was found that laziness was the real complaint, and that work would probably be the best cure. They refused to return to the fields, and were sent to jail for a short space of time, during which to meditate.

There was no further trouble on that day. On Friday, about 6 a. m., one of the lunas went to get his gang together and to distribute the tools, as usual. The Chinamen appeared to be in a sullen mood, and objected to the work of clearing the fields or building the new reservoir. They wanted to do light work, such as stripping cane and irrigating. The luna told them they had no choice whatever in the matter and must do the work assigned to them.

At this, one of the Chinamen, presumably the leader, gave a signal, which resulted in all the members of the gang drawing hatchets, knives and clubs from under their blouses. An attack was made on the luna, and in response to his cry for help, he was joined by five other white lunas. The whole lot of Chinese, from Hong Kong, over a hundred in all, now began an attack upon the lunas, and one of the Mongolians was shot in the scuffle. Hoffer, the book-keeper, saw the trouble from his office, and, recognizing the disadvantage the lunas were laboring under, fired over the heads of the Chinamen with a revolver in the hopes of frightening them. This failed, so he blazed away into their midst. Matters were in a very serious condition, and Carl Wolters, Mueller and two more lunas had been wounded by the flying knives and hatchets of the Chinamen.

In the meantime, the police had been telephoned for, and eight stalwart native officers, with Deputy Sheriff Conroy at the head, dashed into the midst of the rioters in the thickest of the fight. Clubs were used freely, and the Chinamen, surprised by this sudden onslaught of officers of the law, gave way gradually and finished by begging for mercy. Twenty of the leaders were arrested and jailed; others were carried away badly wounded, and the remainder were sent back to work again in a very much improved mood than they had manifested a short time previous. It looked for a while as if the Citizens' Guard would have to be called out, but the police were equal to the occasion and suppressed the riot in short order.

About three hours afterwards more trouble took place in front of the doctor's office, but it was stopped very promptly. After this the Chinamen were drawn up in line and the "riot act" was read to them. They promised to go back to work and to make no further trouble. Notwithstanding this assurance, a guard of police is kept at the plantation during the night time. One who is competent to speak on the matter says that the whole trouble was a result of the action of Lihue plantation in making the Chinamen work more than the prescribed number of hours without extra pay. As a general thing, the Chinese laborers on the various plantations of the Islands are quite easily subdued, but the gang of hard characters at Lihue showed about the worst fight for their nationality that has ever been experienced here.

Morgan Lived Here Once.
 M. P. Morgan, alias E. M. Morgan, who was implicated in the recent blackmailing scheme against a San Francisco real estate agent, was employed for a time by Castle & Cooke as a salesman. A position was secured for him as Consular Agent in Jaluit, and from that place he returned to San Francisco and again resumed operations as a successful forger.

The amount of his defalcations runs well up into the thousands. He has been operating for more than 20 years.

Perry Got a Bath.
 Manual Perry, hack driver, had a hard time of it Sunday morning and has not fully recovered from the shock he received by being immersed for some time in salt water.

The James Makee got in quite early in the morning and hauled alongside the Ke Au Hou at the Inter-Island wharf. Perry went aboard after a trunk and was lifting it off the Ke Au Hou to the wharf when it slipped from his hands and fell into the water. Perry slid down the side of the wharf got by grasping the wharf and pulling. The scheme didn't work and the hack driver fell into the water. He cried "Save the trunk" so that the people on the wharf concentrated their efforts on that object. This having been gotten out of the water, Perry was attended to. When pulled out he was just about exhausted.

WAIKIKI ROBBERY

Valuables Taken from the Hobron Cottage.

Sneak Thief Entered Sleeping Apartments—Articles Mysteriously Returned.

On Friday last a party of young ladies, of whom Miss Carrie Gilman was one, took possession of the Hobron cottage on the lower Waikiki road intending to spend a short vacation. Matters progressed well and the ladies settled down to the quiet enjoyment of bathing and resting on the lawn. Saturday evening the ladies entertained some relatives and the time was spent on the lanai about 100 feet from the house. Before going out Miss Gilman removed her watch and placed it on a pin cushion. On a table near by was some fancy work and two kodaks.

On the return of the ladies to the house none of them noticed whether or not the articles were there but when Miss Gilman arose yesterday morning they were missing; nothing else was disturbed. Inquiry was made of the Chinese servant but he denied having been in the room. He stated that he had spent the evening in his cottage on the place. Friends were notified of the loss and detectives put on the track. As there was no clew to the chief, Miss Gilman gave up all hopes of finding them. Last night while the ladies were sitting on the veranda a hackman drove up and handed one of the party a large package and quickly drove off without leaving any message. On opening the package it was found to contain the missing articles. The police will try and find the hackman today.

NOT ALL SUNSHINE.
 Percy Edwards May Meet Difficulties in South Seas.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—Friends and relatives of those who went away on the brig Percy Edwards are wondering when they will hear from them again. Captain Luttrell, who recently returned from the South Seas and who knows Oceania from one end to the other, asserts that there is not an island on which they will be allowed to land. Every one of them are under a protectorate, and during his last voyage on the Vine he was fined \$100 for landing a woman without permission.

Every man who sailed for the Adamless Eden," said Captain Luttrell, "had it in black and white that he was entitled to an equal chance to woo and win the handsome young queen. Now the fact of the matter is that the handsome young queen died two years ago, and an old and withered hag now rules over the group. In that particular group there are not a dozen good-looking girls, and even these become very repulsive after marriage. I'm afraid the expedition will end in disaster."

IS IT ANNEXATION?

The Philadelphia is Coming to Honolulu.

NO TROUBLE IS ANTICIPATED

Washington Much Interested in Hawaii.

Sec. Long Thinks Importance of the Islands Demands Large Warship.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 1.—About half-past 3 o'clock this afternoon a launch pulled alongside the flagship Philadelphia to where she was lying off the Coronado wharf, and a few minutes later Admiral Beardslee was reading a cipher dispatch from the Secretary of the Navy, which, being interpreted, gave orders to coal up and take provisions and equipment immediately, enough to last six months, and proceed with all dispatch for Honolulu at the earliest possible date.

The order created consternation aboard the flagship. Many of the officers had been looking forward with pleasurable anticipation to at least a three weeks' stay at San Diego before going to join in the Golden Gate Carnival festivities, which open May 3. Captain Cotton had all his trunks packed and was ready to leave for the East, and the command of the Philadelphia was to be turned over to a junior captain for the time, but now he will proceed to Honolulu with his vessel.

Tonight the stewards, purchasing and equipment officers are busy laying in stores and supplies for the cruise, and in the morning at 8 o'clock the Philadelphia will begin taking on 800 tons of coal from the Spreckels bunkers. The vessel needs some slight overhauling and ought to receive a coat of paint, but these matters will be put off for the present. She will sail Wednesday morning and expects to reach Honolulu four days later, on the 11th. The Petrel left here yesterday for Honolulu, and will reach the islands in about two weeks.

MAY MEAN ANNEXATION.
 Sec. Long's Movement of Philadelphia Has No Significance.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Regarding the ulterior motive of the administration in ordering the cruiser Philadelphia to Hawaii, it is reported from good sources that, despite the pacific assurances of officials there is much more significance in the orders than the administration cares to have the public know at this time. In official circles here it is taken to mean that the administration is favorable to annexation and the departure of the Philadelphia is the first step in that direction. There is nothing in the existing political situation in Hawaii to justify interference by the United States Government under the existing friendly relations with Japan and Hawaii. A course of action which would prevent the Japanese from getting control of the islands would, however, be necessary in the probable event of a conclusion of a treaty of annexation with the Hawaiian Republic.

Secretary Long is authority for the statement that orders for the Philadelphia to proceed to Honolulu have no significance. It is said at the State Department that the movement has not been requested by it, as would have been the case had the threatened trouble between the Japanese and Hawaiian Governments entered into the calculation of the Navy Department.

The Philadelphia, it is said, is to relieve the Marion, which relieved the Alert. The reason for the change is said to be the belief of the Secretary of the Navy that from the importance of Honolulu, commercially and otherwise, the United States should have a ship of higher class than the Marion stationed there.

The Philadelphia, while a modern and powerful cruiser, is sadly out of condition, and it was the intention of the department just as soon as repairs to the Baltimore were completed, to use her to replace the Philadelphia as flagship of the Pacific station and put the latter craft out of commission and thoroughly renovate her. It is conjectured that the Marion may be sent to Samoa to show the United States flag in that quarter of the globe for the first time in four years.

sent, and it is entirely optional with him whether the squadron goes to the Islands or not." Admiral Ramsay was emphatic in his opinion that there would be no significance in the war vessel going to Honolulu, and that such a cruise would be in the ordinary routine of the squadron.

ANNEXATION TALK.
 Sending of Warship Arouses Much Interest at the Capitol.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—There has not been so much talk of Hawaiian annexation in many months as has grown from the orders to the flagship Philadelphia to proceed to Honolulu. Despite the denial of Secretary Long that there is no significance in the journey, of the State Department that no orders were sent to Admiral Beardslee in connection with his visit and that of the Japanese as well as the Hawaiian Legation that there is no prospect of trouble on the Islands, there is much discussion as to the meaning of the transfer of the flagship of the Pacific station to the Islands at this time, when the Marion, which is to be relieved, has been at Honolulu such a short time.

It is understood that the Marion will be ordered to San Francisco for repairs at once, while the Philadelphia will continue at the Islands until she can be relieved by a first-class vessel. Annexationists take this move to mean that President McKinley contemplates early action as regards the sending of a treaty to the Senate. That the Executive will be doing in the matter until after the passage of the tariff bill, Hawaiian annexationists now here, while they are still at work creating or endeavoring to create sentiment favorable to a protectorate over the Islands, are not pressing the matter upon the Executive, as they realize he is using every energy to secure an early consideration of the tariff bill.

When this tariff legislation is out of the way active work will be begun in every possible branch of activity for the production of a joint resolution providing closer political relations on lines laid down at a recent annexation meeting in Hawaii. At the Japanese Legation it is said tonight that there will be no trouble between Hawaiians and the Japanese now here, as the latter are fully protected by the treaty in existence. The Japanese Government, it is said, endeavors to discourage the sending of a treaty to the Senate. That the Japanese Government, it is said, endeavors to discourage the sending of a treaty to the Senate, it is said, prevents it unless the emigrant is bound for a country where his rights are specially guaranteed by treaty. This is the case, the officials say, in the Sandwich Islands, and there is no reason to fear that the Japanese will have any necessity to struggle for their rights.

MAKING READY FOR HONOLULU.
 Admiral Beardslee Simply Preparing to Sail as Instructed.

SAN DIEGO, April 2.—There was a scene of activity and commotion on board the flagship Philadelphia this afternoon. "No, I have not been ordered to Honolulu," said Admiral Beardslee, "but I will say that, while I have not been ordered, I did receive an intimation in my dispatches from Washington yesterday to the effect that I might be ordered there. Hence I am getting ready, at a moment's notice, to go. We are taking on coal and getting ready to go where we may be ordered. We may go to Honolulu, and we may not." When asked if he would leave for Honolulu as soon as he got in his coal, he replied:

"Not unless I get orders to leave. At present I have no orders to that effect; only an intimation that I might be ordered to go. No, I do not know of any trouble in Honolulu. I have advices of March 21st, the day before the Alert left there for San Francisco. These advices gave no cause for alarm. There were no troubles at Honolulu between the natives and the Japanese or any other people. We are getting ready to sail as instructed, and that is all I know about it at present."

MINISTER HATCH ENTERTAINS.
 Several Prominent Senators Are Among His Guests.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The Hawaiian Minister entertained at a dinner in honor of the Attorney General of Hawaii, Mr. Smith, the following gentlemen: General Hartwell, Senator Chandler, Mr. Thurston, Mr. Hill, Senator Hanna, Senator Davis, Senator Proctor, Senator Carter, Admiral Walker, Baron von Fritsch, Senator Frye, Senator Gallinger, Mr. John Foster, Mr. Hastings and Mr. A. G. Hawes.



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